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REMARKS

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1. An air force unit with an assigned number of 30 to 40 officers got off a train at the Doeberitz-Bellgow (L53/Z 65) railroad station on 1 April 1950. Seven large fuel containers, assigned to this unit, were trucked to the Staaken (L 53/Z 65) airfield and stored on its northern edge.* Four convoys of between 20 and 30 trucks, loaded with cartridge baskets, about 10 cm in diameter and 80 to 100 cm long, and ammunition boxes, drove the field. Motor vehicles

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assigned to the unit.

2. More air force personnel with quartering and other equipment were unloaded at the railroad station during the nights of 1 and 2 April 1950 and hauled to the Staaken airfield.

3. A large furniture van with the inscription "Jueter-bog (L 52/Z 69) Tel No 601" and motor vehicles with

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were unloaded on 3 April 1950.**

4. About 50 aircraft landed at the field on 5 April 1950, one close behind the other.

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5. Two single-engine high-wing monoplanes, five dark transports and one silver twin-engine transport were parked in front

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of the hangars at the field on 25 March 1950. Another twin-engine transport with special markings on the rudder assembly (see Annex) was parked west of the hangars. There was no flying.

6. The field was observed from the southern edge between 10:50 a.m. and noon on 13 April 1950. The twin-engine transport with red tipped tail unit and blue number, a door and six windows on the left side, was still parked west of the hangars. Four twin-engine transports, including one with the door at the right side (definitely seen), were parked in front of the hangars. The only distinguishing feature between the aircraft was that the plane with the door on the right side had the cockpit slightly more to the fore on top of the fuselage. Two single-engine high-wing monoplanes and one twin-engine low-wing monoplane with double rudder assembly and a large white figure on the fuselage were parked in front of the buildings.
7. The following flying was seen:
 - a. a twin-engine transport with the figure 8 and two white rectangles on the trailing edge of the rudder assembly took off at 10:50 a.m. heading west-southwest.
 - b. a U-2 biplane with a red number on the rudder assembly landed at 11:15 a.m.
 - c. a formation of nine single-engine ground attack aircraft of the same type as those stationed at the Joeteritz (N 53/3 65) and Schoenwalde (N 53/3 66) airfields, came from the south and landed at the field between 11:25 and 11:40 a.m. The planes were parked beside two aircraft of the same type on the landing field.
 Features: antenna rod forward of cockpit, no directional loop antennae, rounded wing tips, white numbers between 50 and 50 on fuselage, upper edge of rudder assembly painted red; 10 planes had a white and one plane a red propeller hub.
 - d. another formation of nine ground attack aircraft of the same type landed at the field at 12:20 p.m.

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8. The following trucks left the airfield:

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A convoy with

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loaded with potatoes, drove to the field.

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25X1A ** ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment: The Staaken airfield has been occupied by only one air transport squadron. According to ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ of this report the squadron is apparently still stationed there. An additional ground attack unit arrived from Jueterbog-Altes Lager on 5 April 1950 (the reported motor vehicle ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ are assigned to the ground attack units previously stationed in Jueterbog).

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1 Annex, sketch on ditto: Rudder assembly of aircraft at Staaken airfield.

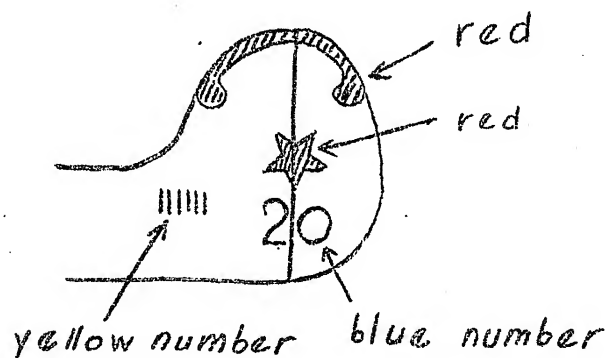
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